

2 Area Men Wounded By Cyprus Cafe Bombs

5 Americans Hurt
In Violence Fatal
To Vice Consul;
Curfew Is Ordered

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NICOSIA, Cyprus, June 17

British authorities tonight ordered a rigid curfew in the Greek section of Nicosia's old city, where a United States vice consul was killed and five other Americans injured in a bomb-throwing attack last night.

The vice consul, who died in a Nicosia hospital, was 26-year-old William Boteler of Washington, D. C. He was the first American killed in 14 months of terrorist violence on this British island colony.

Three of the five Americans wounded were sent to the hospital. Jack Miles Bane, of Chevy Chase, Md., was reported today in serious condition; 33-year-old James Dace of Los Angeles, is still hospitalized but reported out of danger and James Coleman, 26, of Scranton, Pa., left the hospital after treatment for slight injuries.

All three worked at a radio station run by the United States State Department near Nicosia. Two other Americans—Charles Groff, 45, of Washington, D. C., and Donald Mulvey, 26, of Flushing, N. Y.—and a Briton who received slight injuries were not hospitalized.

[Bane, 39, is a State Department engineer, of 7009 Fulton st., Chevy Chase.

[Bane has been with the State Department for four years. He left for Cyprus April 23 on a special assignment. It was his first overseas duty in Cyprus.

[A native of Washington, Bane graduated from Central High School and received his bachelor's degree in engineering from George Washington University in 1948. He served for six years in the Army during World War II in the Mediterranean and European theaters, receiving a commission as captain.

former Edith M. Geohetan of Birmingham. The Banes have three children: Elizabeth Joan, 6; John Leslie, 5; and Sandra Ann, 3. His father, Walter M., a retired career worker in the Internal Revenue Service, lives at 2039 Park rd. nw.

[His mother, Corill, died in 1950. He has two sisters: Mrs. Thomas Rhodes, 3523 Woodbine st., Chevy Chase; and Mrs. Hortense Barto, 3600 27th st., Arlington.]

The attack came last night as Boteler and the other Americans were having dinner in the "Little Soho" restaurant, pride of the capital's entertainment section.

[In Athens, the Greek Government issued a statement expressing "deepest regret" for Boteler's death and extending sympathy to his family, Associated Press reported.

[The statement was issued by Constantine Tsatsos, Minister to Premier Constantine Karamanlis. Tsatsos said it was "highly improbable that Greek Cypriots would commit such an act, which is against the feelings and best interests of the Greek nation, particularly the Greek Cypriots."]

Boteler and the other Americans were frequent visitors to the restaurant. All had arrived in Cyprus only recently.

Boteler's body will be flown to the United States.

Meanwhile, it was officially announced today that Greek Gen. George Grivas—believed to be "Digenis," head of the EOKA terrorist organization—narrowly escaped capture during an anti-terrorist sweep in southwest Cuyprus last week.

Guns and equipment belonging to Grivas were taken in the sweep, the statement said.

Some 5000 British troops combed the mountainous area around Kykko Monastery, capturing one terrorist gang intact. Two of the men had a 5000-pound (\$14,000) price on their heads.

[A forest fire tonight in the Trodos mountains of northwestern Cyprus spread death and injury among 2000 British troops hunting rebel extremists, Associated Press said.

[Greek Cypriot sources said 12 to 15 Britons had lost their lives fighting the flames. A British official said several soldiers were reported killed when they were trapped by the fire and many others were injured. A British public information officer said the victims are being taken to hospitals all over the place.]



Mrs. Jack M. Bane of 7009 Fulton st., Chevy Chase, Md., looks at her wedding picture after learning that her husband was seriously wounded during a bombing in Cyprus.



WILLIAM BOTELER
... victim of terrorists

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